

**EXAMINING BOARD OF SOCIAL WORKERS, MARRIAGE AND FAMILY
THERAPISTS AND PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS
MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPY SECTION
REGULAR MEETING
JUNE 7, 2002**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Peter Fabian, Lynn Gauger, Linda Schwallie

EXCUSED: Anne Marie Rathburn

STAFF PRESENT: Kimberly Nania, Bureau Director; John Schweitzer, Legal Counsel; Lydia A. Bridge, Julie Reimann

GUESTS: None

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Linda Schwallie called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.m. A quorum of three members was present.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: Peter Fabian moved, seconded by Lynn Gauger, to approve the Agenda as published. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 8, 2002

MOTION: Peter Fabian moved, seconded by Lynn Gauger, to approve the Minutes as as written. Motion carried unanimously.

DEPUTY SECRETARY GREG HORSTMAN

Deputy Secretary Greg Horstman was introduced to the Section. Mr. Horstman gave an update on the department reorganization and their concern to heighten communication to the Boards. Horstman also congratulated the Section on the passage of the Psychotherapy Bill – Act 80.

BOARD MEMBER WORKSHOP-KATHARINE HILDEBRAND

Katharine Hildebrand discussed the Board Member Workshop, scheduled for June 25, 2002, at the Crowne Plaza. She said that a reception at the Governor's Mansion will follow the conference.

**PRESENTATION OF PROPOSED STIPULATIONS THAT MAY BE SIGNED AFTER
MAILING OF AGENDA**

Nothing to discuss.

SUMMARY REPORTS ON PENDING COURT CASES, DISCIPLINARY CASES AND ADMINISTRATIVE RULES AND PRESS RELEASES

Noted.

RULES COMMITTEE REPORT

Linda Schwallie informed the Section that the Joint Board will be meeting on June 14, 2002.

WAMFT REPORT

Peter Fabian informed the Section that WAMFT had a change in leadership structure. The Section requested Fabian to contact WAMFT and invite them to future meetings.

APPLICATION AND CERTIFICATION REPORT

Kimberly Nania reported there are currently 31 pending applications, six applicants have been credentialed since the last Section meeting, and there is a total of 518 active MFT credentials as of today.

TELEPRACTICE ISSUES AND DISCUSSION OF HIPAA REGULATION

Linda Schwallie reviewed some history on the issue of HIPAA (Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996).

AMFTRB COMMUNICATION

The Section looked over the April 2002 issue of AMFTRB's newsletter.

DISCUSSION OF COLLABORATIVE PAPER PROJECT

The Section reviewed copies of the brochures Linda Schwallie received describing the Collaborative Paper Project sponsored by The Association of Marital and Family Therapy Regulatory Boards. Schwallie stated that submissions are currently being sought.

REPORT OF HEALTH BOARD CHAIRS MEETING HELD 3/6/02

Linda Schwallie reported to the Section that the Department held a meeting on March 6, 2002 for all Board chairs. The reorganization of DRL by the Wisconsin Department of Administration was addressed by Secretary Oscar Herrera.

DISCUSSION RE: RULES TO IMPLEMENT PSYCHOTHERAPY BILL – ACT 80

The Section worked with legal counsel to review rules to implement the Psychotherapy Bill – Act 80. Legal counsel will bring the draft rules to the next Section meeting for further review.

The Section designated Peter Fabian to meet and coordinate with the Psychology Board to develop the criteria for licensees to engage in psychometric testing.

The Section requested that legal counsel create a rule requiring 30 hours of continuing education each biennium and to accept:

1. Any continuing education program approved, sponsored or authorized by the WAMFT
2. Any continuing education program sponsored by AAMFT
3. Any course or continuing education course offered by an accredited college or University, and
4. Any training program approved by COAMFTE.

REVIEW OF INQUIRIES RECEIVED BY LEGAL COUNSEL

Nothing to discuss.

CASE STATUS REPORT

There were no cases to close.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was informally adjourned at 1:45 p.m.

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, July 24, 2002